

Air Resources Board

Gray Davis Governor

Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D. Chairman

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October 6, 2000

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Air Resources Board (ARB) staff has scheduled a workshop on November 9, 2000, to discuss developing a control measure to reduce evaporative and permeation emissions from off-road equipment fuel tanks (OREFT). Initially, we are limiting the control measure to fuel tanks of small off-road equipment subject to the requirements of Sections 2400 et. seq. Title 13, California Code of Regulations. Specifically, this applies to gasoline-powered engines that are less than 25-horsepower.

The workshop will be held at the date, time and location listed below.

DATE: November 9, 2000 TIME: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm PLACE: Air Resources Board

Lower Level Conference Room

2020 L Street

Sacramento, California 95814

Enclosed is the agenda for the workshop and draft test report. The draft report describes testing conducted by staff to quantify baseline evaporative and permeation emissions. In addition we also conducted testing to evaluate some possible control techniques such as non-vented fuel caps, carbon canisters, and fuel bladders. We also performed testing to determine the relationship between pressure and emissions. We appreciate comments on the draft test report.

As part of the public review process we welcome your input and information as we develop and refine the control measure. All information related to this control measure can be found at the ARB web site, www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/offroad/oreft/oreft.htm. Written comments should be submitted to James Watson at the address listed on the letterhead. Comments can be submitted to Mr. Watson by e-mail at jwatson@arb.ca.gov or by FAX (FAX Number (916) 322-2444).

This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. If accommodation is needed, please contact Elizabeth Mongar at (916) 327-0900 by November 3, 2000. Persons with hearing or speech impairments can contact us by using our Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (916) 324-9531, or (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area.

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We appreciate your participation in our process. To ensure adequate seating, please call Elizabeth Mongar at (916) 327-0900 by no later than November 3, 2000, if you are planning to attend. If you have questions or need further information, please contact James Watson at (916) 327-1282.

Sincerely,

George Lew, Chief Engineering and Certification Branch Monitoring and Laboratory Division

Enclosures